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NOTE

SUBJECT Nuri, Foreign Minister and Nafi Shawkat, Minister of Justice, have been delegated to go to Ankara for consultation with the Turkish Government.

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See Tel. #53, 10 am
(Despatch, telegram, instruction, letter, etc.)

Dated June 21, 1940 **From / To** Iraq (Knabenshue)

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
JUN 27 1940
DIVISION OF NEAR EASTERN AFFAIRS

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FROM

Ankara

Dated June 26, 1940

Rec'd 12:20 a.m., 27th.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

105, June 26, 1 p.m.

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There arrived here day before yesterday, ostensibly on a visit of courtesy, an Iraqi mission consisting of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Justice (formerly Minister here). From such authoritative information as is available here, it appears that their governments have been considerably perturbed by rumors circulated in Baghdad to the effect that Turkey contemplates profiting by any confusion which may develop in the Near East in order to acquire territory at the expense of Iraq and of Syria: and the Ministers are seeking to reassure themselves in this matter. I understand that the Turkish officials have made plain to them that they harbor no such intentions and that the British Embassy has informed them of its conviction that that is the case.

My own belief is that the Turkish Government entertains no such ambitions.

Repeated to Baghdad, Beirut.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
JUL 5 1940
DIVISION OF
NEAR EASTERN AFFAIRS

FROM

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Ankara

Dated July 3, 1940

Rec'd. 2:12 p. m.

DIVISION OF
EUROPEAN AFFAIRS
JUL 5 1940
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Secretary of State,

Washington

115, July 3, 3 p. m.

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I have learned that in connection with the British Government's pronouncement of July 1 concerning the status of Syria, the Turkish Government has reiterated to the British the assurances previously given to them and to the French and to the recent Iraqi Mission (to which I referred in a telegram of June 26) 767.909/25 that it had no territorial ambitions in Syria and would not take advantage of any complications there. I gather, furthermore, that even in the event that Great Britain were to find occasion for intervention there the participation of this country is not contemplated as desirable lest it should arouse in the Arab world suspicions of a new Turkish imperialism.

Repeated to Beirut.

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NOTE

SUBJECT Possibility of demonstrations on Iraq frontier by the Turks.

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NOTE

SUBJECT Questions currently under discussion between Iraqis and Turks.

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See Des.#850
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Dated Oct. 25, 1944 From ~~xxxxx~~ Turkey(Ankara)

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